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Senate Bill 1090

Please do NOT allow any more casinos into our state.

Some look on casinos as quick fixes for the financial mismanagement and leaks in the governmental purse, others simply look on them as businesses. In either case, they are NOT the tax boon and income driver that they are often made out to be. Look at Connecticut's lottery system and Connecticut's relations with the existing casinos. While there has been money changing hands, gambling is not the windfall nor the panacea that some would have voters believe.

Originally, legalized gambling in Connecticut was proclaimed as the savior of our education system. That was a lie from the beginning. Not only has gambling not wholly funded education in our state, but gambling proceeds now get redirected and siphoned to finance other areas of government.

Furthermore, there have been reports of Foxwoods casino fighting for its life as a business. Granted, it's a monstrous complex, but, if Connecticut residents and tourism cannot keep Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods flourishing as businesses then we definitely do NOT need more casinos.

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Hope in Salvation: http://www.godssimpleplan.org/gsps.html

Respect for History: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVz\_j0DzuEk">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVz\_j0DzuEk</a>

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